new species? No answer. That they were new I knew at the time I sent them and I find it now confirmed by Col. Munro's Report on the same species.

Why shall I not have the pleasure to know what a new species has been called? Or shall I wait like the rest of mankind untill the Manual is published?

What reason had he to recommend a young man in the last stages of consumption to Prof. Whitney, as the most proper person to collect, saying there was nobody on this coast able to do it?

My dear Hector, I am also endowed with a sense of

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My dear Doctor,

Your kind letter of Sept. 8 is before me also the enclosed account from Westermann & Co. Thank you heartily for the settlement.

I made a small collection of seeds which I will send as soon as possible

I feared rather the envelope would not last.

The enclosed grass sent a few days ago I called C. strigosa if I recollect right. Kunth to say C. purpurascens N Es. but the description is so short that I can hardly rely upon.

This brings me to the subject of grapes

I owe you yet an answer to the charges made against me by Prof. Thurber. The article in the Agricult. Report was written with a great deal of hesitation, knowing before hand how poor and miserable an affair it would be. Laboring under these convictions and taking the names from my own herbarium I could surely not venture to take refuge to a name or authority to whom it would have been more a disgrace than an honor to be mentioned in connection with that production.

I myself was pressed and driven to it by the Secretary of that List.

But in my own humble opinion it was not the article in question which allowed Prof. Thurber to say that "of course the names badly misspelled" - and other remarks equally insignificant. Ten letters of mine at least he left unanswered. Of bundles of grapes I sent, I have not been informed, whether they arrived or not. Prof. Asa Gray sent in letters ditto. Does the Gentleman perhaps believe I would avail myself of the information obtained through him and describe new species? Now, never! If I ask about a species, it is my own intention to publish it. But to some little information a collector ought to be entitled I rather think so.

No, my dear Doctor, my crime consisted merely in having described three species which I collected. I have asked repeatedly, what did you make such and such